Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 09 Oct 2023 until 23:59 on Tuesday 10 Oct 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 08 Oct 2023 at 16:09 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a drier, brighter day on Monday with lighter winds, then a change to colder, windy, showery conditions on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Headline for Monday 09 Oct 2023: Mostly dry and becoming brighter. Winds strengthening by evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 09 Oct 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
50%	30%	20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	20%

Forecast for Monday 09 Oct 2023

Weather: Cloudy overnight and at first on Monday with still the odd patch of light rain. Much of the day will be dry with clouds breaking to give some bright or sunny spells. Thickening cloud will bring light rain to Glencoe and Lochaber later in the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% improving 70% by afternoon, reducing 50% during evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Misty at first with extensive fog above about 400 to 500m. This will lift up the hills and breaking up later in the morning with mostly good visibility beneath the cloud. There will be a canopy of higher level cloud above many of the summits. Visibility will become poor later in the day over hills near to West Coast.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	24/28 SW	24/28 SW	21/24 SW	19/22 SW	23/28 SW	28/34 SW	26/32 S	30/36 S	34/43 SW
900	14/18 W	13/16 W	12/15 W	11/14 SW	13/18 SW	15/20 SW	15/19 S	19/26 S	24/32 SW
600	13/16 SW	12/16 SW	11/14 SW	9/12 SW	13/17 SW	14/19 SW	14/18 SW	17/22 S	25/33 SW
300	7/11 SW	6/9 SW	6/8 SW	5/7 SW	7/10 SW	8/12 SW	7/11 S	8/13 S	13/22 SW
Glen	4/8 SW	4/8 W	4/8 W	3/6 W	4/8 SW	6/12 SW	6/13 S	6/13 S	11/22 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	8/3	7/2	6/1	5/0	6/0	6/1	7/3	8/3	8/2
900	9/6	8/6	8/5	8/5	8/5	8/5	9/6	9/6	9/5
600	11/9	10/8	9/7	9/7	10/7	10/8	11/8	11/8	11/7
300	12/11	12/11	11/10	11/10	12/10	12/10	12/11	13/12	12/10
Glen	14/13	13/13	12/12	13/12	13/13	14/13	13/12	14/13	14/12
Freezing Level*	2600m	2400m	2200m	2300m	2900m	3200m	3100m	2900m	2700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
A lot of mist and low cloud at first, then a window of fine walking conditions, before they become difficult from Tuesday onwards.

Forecast for Tuesday 10 Oct 2023
Weather: Cloudy with rain soon becoming persistent and heavier over west Argyll and Lochaber, extending eastwards to most ranges during the morning. Drier, clearer weather will follow later in afternoon.

Maximum wind: Strong southwest winds, average speeds 20 to 30mph with gusts 45mph on the tops. Winds becoming westerly during afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%, best over Trossachs.

Low Cloud and visibility: Often misty in west of area with poor visibility as rain becomes heavier. Also extensive cloud cover above about 600 to 700m with patches forming lower down. These poorer conditions extending eastwards during morning. Conditions improving again later in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 Celsius rising to 15 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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